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Federal Opportunities

Enhanced Surveillance for Newly Vaccine Preventable Diseases. *The Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds to expand the current New Vaccine Surveillance Network (NVSN) cooperative agreement program to conduct broader-based surveillance and research projects. Eligible applicants include public and private nonprofit organizations, government and their agencies; such as colleges, universities, hospitals and research institutions; faith-based organizations and community based organizations, health departments of states or their bona-fide agents. The deadline is July 15, 2002. Approximately \$500,000 is available to fund one award. For further information please contact Peaches Brown, Tel: 770 488-2738, Email: prb0@cdc.gov. This grant is subject to "Inter-governmental Review" under EO 12372.

Pension Information and Counseling Program. *The Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds to establish, expand or improve Pension Information and Counseling Projects to ensure that older person eligible for pension benefits have the requisite knowledge, information and counseling to fully exercise their rights and entitlements. The deadline is August 5, 2002. Administration of Aging (AoA) announces it will fund 2 to 3 projects ranging from \$100,000 to \$150,000 per year. For further information contact AoA, Tel: 202 619-1058, Also see: <http://www.aoa.gov/t4>

The Professional Development for Music Educators Program. *The Department of Education* announces funds for the implementation of high-quality professional development programs in

elementary and secondary education. Eligible applicants include Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) in collaboration with one of the following: institutions of higher education; state educational agency; public or private nonprofit agency. The deadline is July 19, 2002. Approximately \$2,000,000 is available to fund 5 to 10 awards, ranging from \$200,000 to \$400,000. For further information contact Madeline E. Baggett, Tel: 202 260-2502, Email address: Madeline.Baggett@ed.gov. This grant is subject to "Inter-governmental Review" under EO 12372.

Vocational and Adult Education Community Technology Centers Program. *The Department of Education* announces funds to assist eligible applicants to create or expand community technology centers that will provide disadvantaged residents of economically distressed urban and rural communities with access to information technology and related training. Eligible applicants include community-based and faith-based organizations, State and LEAs, institutions of higher education, entities such as foundations, museums, and other public and private nonprofit organizations. The deadline is July 19, 2002. Approximately \$15,000,000 is available to fund 83 awards ranging from \$75,000 to \$300,000. For further information please contact Mary LeGwin, or April Blunt, Tel: 202 205-4238, Email address: ctc@ed.gov

The Cultural Partnerships for At-Risk Children and Youth Program. *The Department of Education* announces funds to support school-community partnership programs designed to improve the educational performance of at-risk children by providing arts education services and programs, especially programs incorporating arts education

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standards. Eligible applicants include LEA's in partnership with at least one of the following: institution of higher education, museum, local arts agency, or entities such as nonprofit institutions of higher education, libraries, state and local arts institutions. The deadline is July 22, 2002. Approximately \$4,000,000 is available to fund 15 – 20 awards ranging from \$200,000 to \$400,000. For further information contact Madeline E. Baggett, Tel: 202 260-2502, Email address: Madeline.Baggett@ed.gov. This grant is subject to “Inter-governmental Review” under EO 12372.

Early Reading First Program. *The Department of Education* announces funds to create preschool centers of excellence by improving the instruction and classroom environment of early childhood programs that are located in urban or rural high-poverty communities and serve primarily children from low-income families. Eligible applicants include LEA's, one or more public or private organizations located in a community served by one of those LEA's, such as Head Start program, or child care program, etc. The deadline is July 15, 2002. Approximately \$75,000,000 is available to fund 50 - 300 awards; ranging from \$250,000 to \$1,500,000. For further information contact Tracy Bethel or Jennifer Flood, Tel: 202 260-4555, Email address: erf@ed.gov. Also see: <http://www.ed.gov/offices/OESE/earlyreading/index.html>. This grant is subject to “Inter-governmental Review” under EO 12372.

District Opportunities

LAST CALL Justice Grants: Services Targeting Youth. *The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Justice Grant Administration* announces funds for services targeting youth to prevent delinquent or PINS (Persons In Need of Supervision) behavior and to foster youth development. Qualified nonprofit community-based organizations are invited to submit applications. The deadline is 5:00 pm on June 19, 2002. Up to ten awards will be made to selected applicants. Awards made will not exceed \$20,000. Awards will be made for a grant period of two months, beginning July 1, 2002 and ending August 31, 2002. Awards will be made on a cost reimbursement basis. Selected applicants will be reimbursed for the costs of their program during the

stated grant period. Applications can be picked up at the front desk of the eOffice of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 327, Washington, D.C. The RFA is available online at http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.shtml. For further information contact Torrey Lee on (202) 727-0605.

Foundation Opportunities

The Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation supports programs of direct assistance, with emphasis on community service, arts and humanities, education and health. DC is the geographic focus. Only 501(c)(3) organizations are eligible. Grants average between \$10,000 and \$25,000. Proposals are reviewed three times per year. The next deadline is July 1, 2002. For application guidelines and more information, call the foundation at (202) 223-3100. Also see www.cafritzfoundation.org.

Help Us Help Foundation assists K-12 public schools and youth organizations in economically challenged communities to obtain information technology tools. Grants of computer equipment and software are available to schools and youth organizations that provide educational programs in low-income communities. The deadline is August 31, 2002. For complete guidelines and applications forms, see Help Us Help Foundation Web site. <http://www.helpushelp.org>

Resources & Announcements

Free “Proposal Writing Workshop”. *The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development and the Foundation Center* invites all Faith-based organizations, Pastors and Religious Leaders to attend a free workshop on the main components of writing a proposal. If you are writing your first proposal or need a refresher course, then plan to attend on Tuesday, July 23rd from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., 441 4th Street, N.W., Room 1030-S, Washington, D.C. (Metro Red Line, Judiciary Square). To RSVP, call (202) 727-8900.

DC Agencies Present Online Tools for Businesses and Nonprofits. *The Business Resource Center in collaboration with the DC Office of the Chief Technology Officer, the Mayor's Office of*

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Partnerships and Grants Development, the DC Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, and the DC Office of Tax and Revenue announce a series of "road shows" to showcase the new online planning, licensing, tax and information services for nonprofit and business organizations. The next events are scheduled as follows:

Juanita E. Thornton/Shepherd Park Branch Library
Tuesday, June 11, 2002 at 2:00 pm
7420 Georgia Avenue, NW -- at Geranium Street
By Metro: Takoma (10-minute walk)

Hine Junior High School
Tuesday, June 25, 2002 at 6:30 pm
335 8th Street SE -- near 7th and Pennsylvania Ave.
By Metro: Eastern Market

For more information on the DC Business Tools Roadshow, email brc.alert@dc.gov or call (202) 338-0775. Also <http://www.brc.dc.gov/brchome.shtm>.

Federal Government Benefits for You. *Unlike other similar announcements, this is not a scam.* FirstGov, the citizen portal for federal government information, now offers an online screening tool that is free, easy-to-use, and completely confidential. 55 federal direct payment, loan, insurance, training and other programs are included. The forms do not require your name, phone number, Social Security number, or any other information that could be used to identify you. You answer a series of questions about yourself, and then GovBenefits returns a list of federal benefits you may be eligible to receive along with information about how you can apply. GovBenefits is a partnership of many Federal agencies and organizations with a shared vision - to provide improved, personalized access to government assistance programs. Visit www.govbenefits.gov to see the programs for which you are eligible.

Meet the Author The Foundation Center invites you to meet Michael Seltzer, author of **"Securing Your Organization's Future: A Complete Guide to Fundraising Strategies"**, Revised and Expanded Edition, on Thursday, June 13, 2002, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at The Foundation Center, 1627 K Street, N.W., 3rd Floor, Washington, D.C. To RSVP, call Linda Murdock, 202 331-1400, ext. 4026.

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